

which is why I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I  
 know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is  
 able to guard until that day what has been entrusted to me  
 1 Timothy 1:12 - Shows a relationship

1 Thessalonians 3

**11** Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.

**12** The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved.

Remove the faith, which is our victory and shield and salvation. Luke 17:5

Satan wants to remove our faith - that is his mission in order for us not to believe

**13** And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy. But these have no root; they believe for a while, and in time of testing fall away.

**14** And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature.

**15** As for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience.

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- 1 Letting it sink in their hearts
- 2 Abiding in it - Equipping it (Eph 6)
- 3 Staying true to it - Faithful
- 4 A Pure heart (Matthew 6)
- 5 See notes on previous slide (notice the preposition "with")
- 6 One of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Fervent in Spirit during trials.